

May 20, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate
H-107 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 450 – *Frederick County – Property Tax Setoff*.

This emergency bill requires Frederick County, for fiscal year 2011, to grant a property tax setoff to its municipalities in an amount at least equal to the tax setoffs granted for fiscal 2009. The bill also requires that in fiscal year 2012, the property tax setoffs must be at least equal to the amounts granted in the prior year.

House Bill 476, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 450.

Sincerely,

Governor